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For:	MULTIFUNCTIONAL)	
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	AND COMPUTER PROGRAM)	
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of the listed non-U.S. patent documents is enclosed.

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(3) Japan 2000-041123
(4) U.S. Patent 6,674,537

Documents (1) to (3) were cited during prosecution of a Japanese application corresponding to the above-identified application, namely Japan 2001-350071.

A English language translation of a Japanese Office Action, which is dated August 23, 2005 is enclosed.

English language abstracts for each of the Japanese documents have been located and are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for each of these documents is believed to be satisfied by the enclosed English abstracts, as well as the explanation of relevancy provided in the Japanese Office Action. See MPEP § 609.

Inasmuch as the present application has received an Office Action on the merits, but has not yet received any of a final Office Action, a Notice Of Allowance, or an action that otherwise close prosecution of the application, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c). Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee. The Examiner is requested to review the cited information in its entirety and to make an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next communication.

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